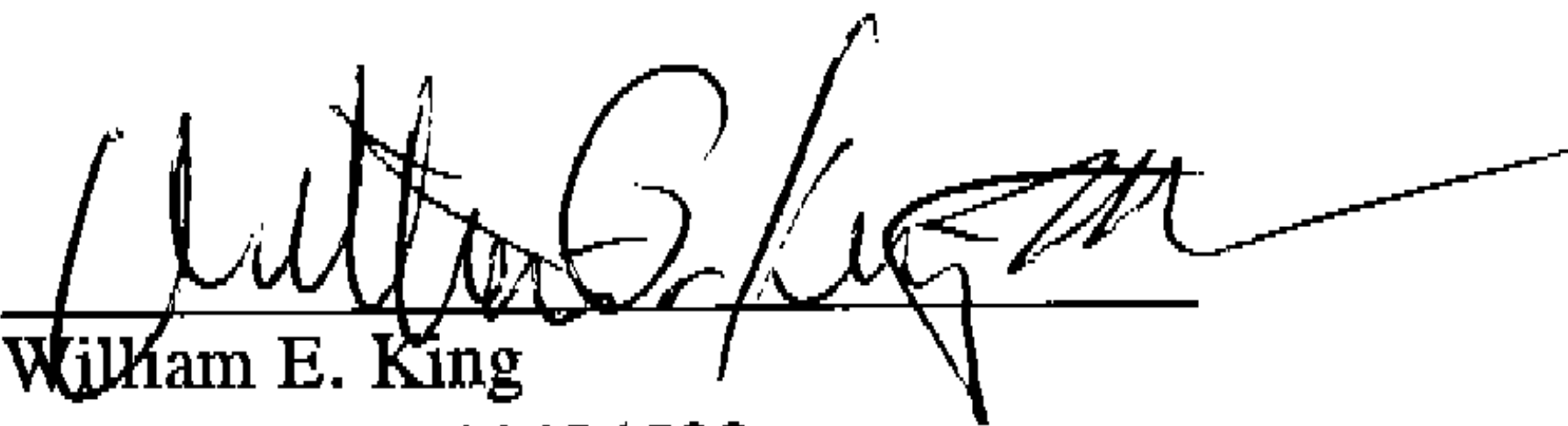


UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION		PROOF OF CLAIM (Secured)		<div style="transform: rotate(-15deg);"> United States District Court Southern District of Texas FILED JUN 7 2000 Michael N. Milby, Clerk court use only </div>	
In Re: STAGE STORES, INC.		Case Number: 00-35078-H2-11 Chapter: 11			
Name of Creditor: HOUSTON ISD		<input type="checkbox"/> Check if you are aware that anyone else has filed a proof of claim relating to your claim. <input type="checkbox"/> Check if you have never received any noticed from the bankruptcy court in this case. <input type="checkbox"/> Check if the address differs from the address on the envelope sent to you by the court.			
Name/Address Where Notices Should Be Sent: William E. King Linebarger, Heard, Goggan, Blair Graham, Peña, & Sampson LLP P O BOX 3064 HOUSTON, TX 77253-3064 Telephone No: (713)844-3400					
Number by which creditor identifies debtor: See Attached Exhibits		This claim <input type="checkbox"/> replaces <input type="checkbox"/> amends a previously filed claim, dated: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/> <input type="checkbox"/> supplements			
1. BASIS FOR CLAIM: AD VALOREM TAXES					
2. DATE DEBT WAS INCURRED: January 1 of each tax year, pursuant to Sections 32.01 and 32.07 of the Texas Property Tax Code.					
3. CLASSIFICATION OF CLAIM: Secured claim to extent of collateral value. Unsecured Priority claim [11 U.S.C.(a)(8)] to extent of any shortfall in collateral value and for personal liability. Secured by Tax Lien §§ 32.01 and 32.07 of the Texas Property Tax Code.					
4. TOTAL AMOUNTS OF CLAIM: \$ <u>0.00</u> + \$ <u>186,468.98</u> + \$ <u>0.00</u> = \$ <u>186,468.98</u> (Unsecured) (Secured) (Priority) (Total)					
Plus interest accruing pursuant to Texas Property Tax Code §33.01 as allowed under 11 U.S.C. §506(b)					
Make checks payable to: HOUSTON ISD Mail payments to: P.O. BOX 3064 HOUSTON, TX 77253					
5. CREDITS AND SETOFFS: The amount of the payments on this claim has been credited and deducted for the purpose of making this proof of claim. In filing this claim, claimant has deducted all amounts that claimant owes to debtor.					
6. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS: Attached DATE: JUN 05, 2000 <div style="text-align: center;">  William E. King Bar I.D. 11434500 </div>					court use only
Penalty for presenting fraudulent claim: Fine up to \$500,000 or imprisonment up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 3571					

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 0451910000281

Market Value: \$824,410

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL INVEST
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: TRS 1C-2 & 1C-3
(001*TR 12B-1)
ABST 887 J HAMILTON

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 12028.14

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00

Total	\$.00 DUE
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* PALAIS ROYAL INVEST *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
* *
* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800820041126

Market Value: \$357,140

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL #1

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

HARDING & CARBONE INC

3903 BELLAIRE BLVD

HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Legal: F&F INV

BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 5210.67

Total Due For JUNE

Levy .00

P & I .00

Fees .00

Total \$.00 DUE

* PALAIS ROYAL #1 *

* HARDING & CARBONE INC *

* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *

* *

* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1064080000003

Market Value: \$728,570

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

PO BOX 35167

HOUSTON, TX 77235-5167

Legal: RES E1

FONDREN CENTER SEC 1

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 10,629.84

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00

Total \$.00 DUE

 * PALAIS ROYAL *
 * PO BOX 35167 *
 * * *
 * HOUSTON, TX 77235-5167 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800930603599

Market Value: \$675,830

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL #235

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

HARDING & CARBONE INC

3903 BELLAIRE BLVD

HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Legal: F&F INV COMPUTERS

BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 9860.36

Total Due For JUNE

Levy .00

P & I .00

Fees .00

Total \$.00 DUE

* PALAIS ROYAL #235 *

* HARDING & CARBONE INC *

* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *

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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800840164419

Market Value: \$1,626,840

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL #205

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

HARDING & CARBONE INC

3903 BELLAIRE BLVD

HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Legal: F&F INV M&E COMPUTERS

BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 23,735.60

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
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P & I	.00
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Fees	.00
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Total	\$.00 DUE
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* PALAIS ROYAL #205 *

* HARDING & CARBONE INC *

* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *

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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800820063463

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL #17
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Market Value: \$860,000

Exemptions: NONE

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: F&F INV M&E COMPUTERS
BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 12,547.48

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00

Total	\$.00 DUE
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Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

* PALAIS ROYAL #17 *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800820057617

Market Value: \$514,200

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL #14
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: F&F INV M&E COMPUTERS
BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 7502.18

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00

Total	\$.00 DUE
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* PALAIS ROYAL #14 *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800960748022

Market Value: \$648,960

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL #124

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

HARDING & CARBONE INC

3903 BELLAIRE BLVD

HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Legal: F&F INV M&E COMPUTERS

BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 4468.33

Total Due For JUNE

Levy .00

P & I .00

Fees .00

Total \$.00 DUE

* PALAIS ROYAL #124 *

* HARDING & CARBONE INC *

* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *

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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800930576653

Market Value: \$756,450

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL INC
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: F&F INV M&E COMPUTERS
BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 11,036.61

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00
Total	\$.00 DUE

* PALAIS ROYAL INC *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 0451910000297

Market Value: \$330,420

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL INC
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: TR 1C-3B
(001*TR 12B-1A)
ABST 887 J HAMILTON

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 4820, 83

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00
Total	\$.00 DUE

* PALAIS ROYAL INC *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800980799845

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL #733
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Market Value: \$312,440

Exemptions: NONE

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: F&F INV M&E COMPUTERS
BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 4558.50

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00
Total	\$.00 DUE

* PALAIS ROYAL #733 *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800900460290

Market Value: \$151,620

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: STAGE STORES DBA

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

HARDING & CARBONE INC

3903 BELLAIRE BLVD

HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Legal: F&F M&E SUP COMPUTERS

BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 2212.14

Total Due For JUNE

Levy .00

P & I .00

Fees .00

Total \$.00 DUE

* STAGE STORES DBA *

* HARDING & CARBONE INC *

* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *

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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800830109118

Owner: STAGE STORES INC
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Market Value: \$1,121,310

Exemptions: NONE

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: F&F INV M&E COMPUTERS
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BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 16,359.91

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00

Total	\$.00 DUE
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Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

* STAGE STORES INC *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800980806247

Market Value: \$22,630

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: STAGE STORES INC

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

HARDING & CARBONE INC

3903 BELLAIRE BLVD

HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Legal: VHCLS

VEHICLES ONLY

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 330.17

Total Due For JUNE

Levy .00

P & I .00

Fees .00

Total \$.00 DUE

 * STAGE STORES INC *
 * HARDING & CARBONE INC *
 * 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
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 * HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800980800514

Market Value: \$570,400

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: STAGE STORES INC DBA
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: F&F INV M&E COMPUTERS
BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 8,322.14

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00
Total	\$.00 DUE

* STAGE STORES INC DBA *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800970785838

Owner: SPECIALTY RETAILERS DBA
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Market Value: \$683,870

Exemptions: NONE

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: F&F INV M&E COMPUTERS
BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 9,977.66

Total Due For JUNE

Levy .00

P & I .00

Fees .00

Total \$.00 DUE

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

* SPECIALTY RETAILERS DBA *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800820050109

Market Value: \$1,113,060

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: SPECIALTY RETAILERS INC
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: F&F INV M&E COMPUTERS
BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 16239.55

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00

Total	\$.00 DUE
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* SPECIALTY RETAILERS INC *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
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* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800830483608

Owner: SPECIALTY RETAILERS INC
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Market Value: \$27,060

Exemptions: NONE

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: VHCLS
VEHICLES ONLY

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 394.81

Total Due For JUNE

Levy .00

P & I .00

Fees .00

Total \$.00 DUE

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

* SPECIALTY RETAILERS INC *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
* *
* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1800820046615

Market Value: \$369,230

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: SPECIALTY RETAILORS INC
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: F&F INV M&E COMPUTERS
BUSINESS PERS PROP

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 5,387.07

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00
Total	\$.00 DUE

* SPECIALTY RETAILORS INC *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
* *
* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1115350000005

Market Value: \$886,820

Exemptions: NONE

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL GEN OFFICE
HARDING & CARBONE INC
3903 BELLAIRE BLVD
HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: RES D4 BLK 4
SOUTHLAKE SEC 4

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 12,938.70

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00

Total \$.00 DUE

* PALAIS ROYAL GEN OFFICE *
* HARDING & CARBONE INC *
* 3903 BELLAIRE BLVD *
* *
* HOUSTON, TX 77025-1119 *

Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

TAX STATEMENT

Account Number: 1064080000002

Owner: PALAIS ROYAL AS TENANT
PO BOX 35167
HOUSTON, TX 77235-5167

Market Value: \$199,340

Exemptions: NONE

Effective Date: 06/02/2000

Legal: RES E2
FONDREN CENTER SEC 1

Items due include:

Unit	Year	Levy	Pen / Int	Fees	Total
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*** NO TAXES DUE ***

ESTIMATED TAXES FOR 2000 \$ 2908.37

Total Due For JUNE

Levy	.00
P & I	.00
Fees	.00

Total	\$.00 DUE
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Penalty & Interest Increase Monthly

* PALAIS ROYAL AS TENANT *
* PO BOX 35167 *
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* HOUSTON, TX 77235-5167 *
